

AO 91 (Rev. 07/00) District Complaint
United States District Court
Southern District of Texas
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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

David J. Bradley, Clerk

Southern District of Texas

United States of America

v.

-01 Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL YOB: 1989
-02 Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL YOB: 1996
COB: United States

Defendant

Case No. M-19-2423-M

CRIMINAL COMPLAINT

I, the complainant in this case, state that the following is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

On or about the date of 10/07/2019 in the county of Hidalgo in the Southern District of Texas, the defendant violated Title 18 U. S. C. § 924(a)(1)(A) and 2(a), an offense described as follows:


Whoever, knowingly makes any false statement or representation with respect to the information required to be kept in the records of a federal firearms licensee.

This criminal complaint is based on these facts:

SEE ATTACHMENT A

☒ Continued on the attached sheet.

Approved AUSA Mike Mettall
10-8-19


Complainant's signature
Joshua Wedesky, ATF Special Agent
Printed name and title

Sworn to before me and signed in my presence.

Date: 10/8/19 - 7:56 a.m.

City and state: McAllen, TX


Judge's signature
Juan Alanis, U.S. Magistrate Judge
Printed name and title

ATTACHMENT A

This affidavit is in support of a criminal complaint charging Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL (hereinafter referred to as "Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL") and Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL (hereinafter referred to as "Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL"), with the criminal violation set forth in Attachment A. The evidence available to me demonstrates that there is probable cause that Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL aided and abetted Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL in violating Title 18 U.S.C. Section 924(a)(1)(A) which provides as follows: Whoever, knowingly makes any false statement or representation with respect to the information required to be kept in the records of a federal firearms licensee (FFL).

Further, the Affiant states as follows:

On or about October 7, 2019, ATF agents, to include your affiant, were conducting surveillance in the area of a Federal Firearms Licensee (FFL) located in Hidalgo County, Texas when agents received information that a female, later identified as Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL, was believed to be conducting a straw purchase of an AR-15 type rifle.

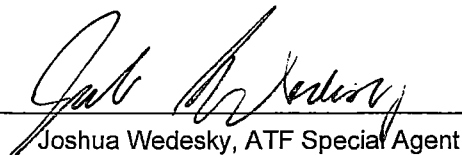
ATF agents observed Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL leave the FFL carrying a rifle box. ATF agents maintained surveillance once Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL departed from the FFL in a vehicle driven by an individual later identified as Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL. Agents made consensual contact with Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL when the vehicle driven by Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL parked at a residence.

During the interview of Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL, Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL voluntarily stated that she had purchased the AR-15 style rifle for her brother, Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL, and that the firearm was not for her. Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL stated that her brother had asked her to purchase the firearm for him because he (Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL) did not have his license. Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL admitted to making a false statement on ATF Form 4473 when she indicated that she was the actual purchaser when in fact, she was purchasing the firearm for Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL.

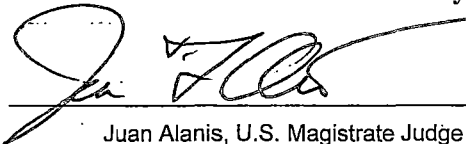
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ATTACHMENT A

During a Post-Miranda interview of Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL, Ramiro RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL stated that he provided five-hundred dollars to his sister, Ana RODRIGUEZ-SANDOVAL, to purchase the firearm which was to be used for his protection.


Joshua Wedesky, ATF Special Agent

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence,


Juan Alanis, U.S. Magistrate Judge

10/8/19 - 7:56 a.m.